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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated July 12, 2010, finally rejecting claims 1 to 3, 8 to 12, 15 to 23, 25, and 85.

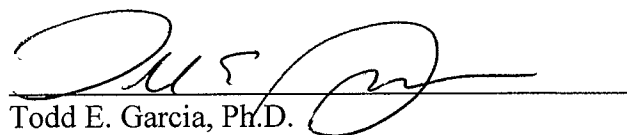
A petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to extend the time to respond to the Office Action for three months to and including January 12, 2011 is enclosed.

The appeal fee in the amount of \$270 is being paid herewith on the Electronic Filing System by way of deposit account authorization. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 14188-0002001.

Respectfully submitted,

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